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### **2018-19 NSW BUDGET: MORE HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS**

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin welcomed the strong focus in today's NSW Budget on keeping pressure on household costs. "Wherever we can reduce costs for families and households, we do it!"

#### **What's new:**

- 40% reduction in registration fees for caravans and camper trailers.
- One click energy switch program will help you find a cheaper energy bill, or let you change your provider easily. This could help a typical household save more than \$1000 a year on its bills.
- \$200M for 3-year-olds to go to community preschools.
- The Parents Package includes the **Baby bundle** for new parents to support the health, development and well-being of their babies (\$7.6 million).
- \$150,000 Albury PCYC upgrade – activities for your children to enjoy.
- Creative Kids \$100 rebate to school-aged children for activities such as lessons in art, music, language, coding, performance.
- 100,000 free apprenticeships [Pre-apprenticeship and pre-traineeship training are already free; 200,000 scholarships are available for those most in need.]
- Service NSW Centres will become one-stop shops for NSW Government cost of living support to help you navigate 40 cost of living programs from 12 agencies. **Drop in and find your savings.**

#### **Over the last 12 months we have:**

- Abolished Stamp Duty for most First Home Buyers and duty on lenders' mortgage insurance for First Home Buyers.
- Introduced the \$100 Active Kids rebate. Around 390,000 Active Kids vouchers worth a total of \$37.8 million redeemed by parents already.
- Reduced CTP Green Slip premiums.
- Increased Energy Bill Rebates and discounts for eligible families.

"Collectively these add up and help relieve pressure on household budgets," said Mr Aplin.

**Pensioners:** A couple receiving the aged pension could be eligible for almost \$2000 in savings through energy rebates, CTP savings, appliance replacement program, pensioner water rebate, low income household rebate and free rego for pensioners.

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